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Medical School at Boston.

THE Medical Faculty of Harvard University give notice, that their lectures at the Massachusetts Medical College in Boston will begin on the third Wednesday of November, and be continued daily until the termination of the course.

It is presumed that the means, now possessed by this school for promoting and facilitating the acquirement of medical knowledge in all its branches, are equal to those offered by any American college, and commensurate with the advances made by society in the other departments of useful learning. As auxiliary to the several courses of medical instruction, the school is amply provided with apparatus, collections, and opportunities for practical demonstration; which, if aided by industry on the part of the student, are calculated to afford him the same kind of information, as that for which the hospitals and seminaries of Europe are usually visited. These auxiliary advantages consist in a large and select medical library; a cabinet of a thousand anatomical preparations; an ample and well furnished chemical laboratory; a collection of specimens of the *materia medica*; a suit of models and specimens for illustrating the principles and operations of obstetrics; a course of recent dissections, both public by the professor, and private by the students themselves; and lastly, an opportunity of acquiring practically medical and surgical knowledge at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

The following courses of lectures begin and terminate at the periods which have been specified.

Anatomy and Surgery	by Dr. Warren	Fee	\$20
Chemistry	“ Dr. Gorham	“	15
Midwifery and Med. Jurisp.	“ Dr. Channing	“	10
Materia Medica	“ Dr. Bigelow	“	10
Theory and Practice of Physic	“ Dr. Jackson	“	15

These constitute the regular course of medical instruction preparatory to a medical degree. Students, who choose, have the additional opportunity in the spring season to attend lectures at Cambridge on Mineralogy, Botany, Natural Philosophy, and Philosophy applied to the Arts, as well as on various departments of literature.

As the Massachusetts General Hospital has not been completed so as to be accessible to medical students until within the two last seasons, it may be proper to give some account of the opportunity it affords for practical instruction to students during their residence in the city. The wards of the medical department have always furnished a succession of interesting cases, both acute and chronic, which have been under the care of the professor of the theory and practice of physic. Regular clinical lectures during the winter are given upon these cases, and students are admitted to the patients so far as to become experimentally conversant with the symptoms of their diseases, the progressive changes which take place, and the operation and influence of medicinal agents.

As is common in large establishments of the kind, many patients resort to the General Hospital to undergo surgical operations, rendered necessary by accident or disease. No other kind of institution affords equal opportunities for acquiring a practical acquaintance with operative surgery. Not only the operations themselves, but the treatment of the cases preparatory and consequent to the operation, and the progress and management of convalescence, may be here studied and observed. The superior conveniences which a well arranged hospital affords for the accommodation of the sick, renders this institution a resort, not only of the poorer class, among whom, in a large city, accidents are of frequent occurrence; but of other individuals from a distance, who come with the expectation of relief from chronic maladies requiring surgical treatment.

The following is a record of surgical cases, and of operations performed in the Massachusetts Hospital, by the Professor of Anatomy and Surgery, during twenty months, from the opening of the building in September 1821 to June 1823.

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| 1821. | Sept. | 21. | Operation for Prolapsus ani. |
| | Oct. | 18. | Lithotomy. |
| | " | 23. | Operation for Popliteal Aneurism. |

	Oct.	25.	Operation for Fistula in ano.
	Nov.	10.	Fractured leg.
	Dec.	9.	Dislocation of the hip in the ischiatic notch.
1822.	January	6.	Fracture of the thigh.
	"		Compound fracture of the leg.
		30.	Removal of a portion of the tibia.
	Feb'y	5.	Amputation of the leg.
	"	19.	Operation for phymosis.
	"	"	Removal of diseased toes.
	March	9.	Fractured leg.
	April	22.	Compound comminuted fracture of leg.
	"	24.	Extirpation of tumour from the breast.
	June	8.	Comminuted fracture of the Os humeri.
	July	17.	Amputation of the breast.
	August	2.	Compound fracture of both patellæ.
	"	30.	Removal of foreign substance from the globe of the eye.
	Sept.	20.	Amputation of the breast.
	Oct.	12.	Extirpation of the parotid gland.
	"	"	Operation for prolapsus ani.
	"	23.	Operation for Fistula in ano.
	Nov.	23.	Operation for Cataract.
	"	28.	Operation for Necrosis.
	"	"	Removing tumour from the foot.
	Dec.	20.	Operation for artificial pupil.
1823.	Jan.	15.	Removing tumour from the side.
	Feb'y	5.	Removing fragments of rib.
	"	12.	Operation for cataract.
	"	18.	Operation for Inguinal aneurism, the iliac artery tied
	"	"	Facial nerve divided for tic douloureux.
	"	25.	Operation for phymosis.
	"	"	Laying open a fistulous ulcer over the ribs.
	"	26.	Inferior maxillary nerve divided for tic douloureux
	March	6.	Fractured leg.
	"	"	Operation for Cataract.
	April	4.	Operation for Cataract.
	"	29.	Operation for Cataract.
	May	26.	Operation for Necrosis.
	"	21.	Fracture of the thigh.
	"	26.	Operation for Cataract.
	June	9.	Operation for Fistula lachrymalis.
	"	11.	Operation for Cataract.
	"	"	Operation for Cataract.
	"	"	Operation for Eversion of eyelid.

The fee for attendance on the joint medical and surgical practice of the hospital is reduced to ten dollars.

Besides the practice of the hospital, opportunities frequently occur of witnessing the private practice of physicians, such as the condensed population of large cities is peculiarly calculated to afford, where the poorer class is numerous, and many of them the subjects of charitable institutions.

Board in the city may always be obtained at from three to four dollars per week. The medical class of the two last years has consisted of about eighty students.

Boston, June, 1823.